



Attendants' Duties

MAID OR MATRON OF HONOR

(Bride's right-hand woman)

- She's responsible for her own gown and accessories
- Helps arrange bridal shower
- Keeps a record of shower and wedding gifts
- Acts as official witness
- Unofficially calms the bride's nerves
- Helps bridesmaids on wedding day
- Rearranges train before recessional
- Holds bride's bouquet and possibly gloves during ceremony
- Cares for bride's things at ceremony and reception
- Assists the bride when changing from her wedding gown to her going-away apparel

BRIDESMAIDS

- Generally responsible for their own gowns
- Assist in all prewedding festivities
- Wrap small gifts for the reception gifts (optional)
- Fill cups with confetti, rice, or rose petals to throw for the getaway
- Decorate the cars

RING BEARER

- He walks down the aisle carrying the ring, or a substitute secured to a satin pillow
- His apparel compliments the groomsmen's

BEST MAN

(Groom's right-hand man and problem-solver)

- He's responsible for his tuxedo
- In charge of groom arriving on time
- He sees that ushers' function runs smoothly
- Gives toast and special speeches at ceremony and reception
- Pays the officiant's fee
- Keeps rings, license, and honeymoon tickets in a safe place
- Acts as toastmaster at the bridal table
- Plans for reception exit transportation

USHERS

- Responsible for their own attire
- Involved in all ceremony festivities
- Greet all guests at the ceremony, ask which family they represent and seat them accordingly. Bride's family and friends sit on the left of the aisle and the groom's on the right
- Usually two of the ushers unroll the aisle runner after the bride's mother is seated

FLOWER GIRL

- Precedes the bride, tossing paper petals or fresh flower petals down the aisle
- Her dress complements the bridesmaids' dresses